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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 19, 2008, in relation to the above-identified application. Filed herewith is a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. Applicants have charged the two month extension fee of \$245.00 at the small entity rate under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-1721 at the time of filing this paper via EFS-Web. Applicants believe no additional fees are required for consideration of this paper; however, if a further fee is due, please charge Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-1721.

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